

## House Resolution No. 3992

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the life and lifetime achievements of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

**Whereas**, Lester L. Stockdale, a treasured resident of Sheldon, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of his One Hundredth Birthday on October 3, 2004, with a festive celebration to be held in Sheldon; and

**Whereas**, Lester Stockdale came into this world in Vernon County on October 6, 1904, as the tiny infant son born to proud and loving parents William and Lucy Stockdale, who welcomed him into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

**Whereas**, Lester Stockdale embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in his life when he married his beloved Armilda, a kind and loving woman with whom he shared many years of wedded success and happiness until her departure from this world; and

**Whereas**, a proud father and caring husband who provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a farmer for many years, Lester Stockdale has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of his five children, Truman Stockdale, Darwin Stockdale, Sharon Stockdale, John Stockdale, and Eloise Dwyer; and his nine grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, now one hundred years young, Lester Stockdale faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good life, sharing his experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those he holds most dear:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and birthday greetings to Lester Stockdale as he proudly celebrates one hundred years of achievement, and in wishing him much peace and prosperity as he continues his journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Lester Stockdale, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Ed Emery  
District No. 126

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3992, adopted September 3, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker